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Heritage Investments in Bonavista North Total Over $73,000

Heritage organizations and museums in the Bonavista North region of the province have received operational and project funding totalling $73,496 through the Cultural Economic Development Program (CEDP).

The Cape Freels Heritage Trust has received $64,157 in operational funding, while other investments are as follows:

- Greenspond Historical Society – A total of $3,842 – $1,142 in operational funding and $2,700 in project funding to complete an inventory of historic properties in Greenspond. Research will be placed on the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador's website to raise awareness of the built heritage in the community.
- Bonavista North Regional Museum and Gallery – $2,757 in operational support.
- Banting Historical Trust Inc., Musgrave Harbour – $1,573 in operational support.
- Fisherman's Museum, Musgrave Harbour – $1,167 in operational support.

The Honourable Clyde Jackman, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation, said these investments benefit communities and contribute to efforts to preserve and promote Newfoundland and Labrador's rich heritage.

"The people who work within these community-based organizations – many of whom are volunteers – are committed to the preservation of our unique heritage assets," said Minister Jackman. "These investments are representative of the Provincial Government's efforts to ensure their work continues."

Harry Harding, MHA for Bonavista North, said these investments are welcomed within local communities. "Our roots are quite unique, and deserve to be preserved and shared," said Mr. Harding. "These heritage investments clearly demonstrate the importance our government places on our wonderful culture and heritage, of which we are so proud."

The 2008 Cultural Economic Development Program (CEDP) is providing $1.15 million for operational and project support to the heritage sector, and about $1.2 million to the professional arts sector, for a total of more than $2.3 million.

CEDP projects are selected based on the strength of the business plans, vision and potential for development within the sector. For more information on the CEDP program and application guidelines, visit: www.tcr.gov.nl.ca/tcr/services_programs/cedp/heritage/.

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